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MEMORANDUM FOR SOLDIERS AND STUDENTS

SUBJECT: Welcome to the United States Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy

- 1. It is with great pleasure that my staff and I welcome you to the U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Fort Dix, New Jersey. You have been selected to attend one of the courses taught here at the Academy. During your stay you will become an integral part of an Army Quality Team, dedicated to training the leaders of tomorrow.
- 2. We are committed to providing an environment of professional conduct, leadership, high standards of appearance, and discipline. The academic program of instruction will guide you through a series of challenges designed to prepare you for the future as a leader.
- 3. Based on duty performance and potential for future assignments of greater responsibility, your selection is a distinct honor and is a reflection of the faith your command has in you. Therefore, successful completion of this course is important to you and to the U.S. Army. The academic standards you achieve will be reflected on your final evaluation and will be made a permanent part of your record. The Academy staff and faculty will do everything to help you learn, grow and be successful while attending the course.
- 4. The Academy Welcome Packet contains general student information and specific guidance for each NCOES and functional course taught. You can access the Welcome Packet thru Internet at http://www.dix.army.mil/NCOAcademy/index.htm, take the time to read it and complete all actions; it is a vital component to your success at the Academy. The Pre-Execution Checklist is your preparation guide your unit staff can assist to ensure you meet all requirements. The Pre-Resident Packet for Primary Leadership Development Course (PLDC) must be completed prior to reporting for the resident phase of training. If you do not have access to the Internet, immediately notify your chain of command or NCO support channel; they will assist in your preparation for the course. The Academy Staff will answer any questions; please call 609-562-3001.

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